

OF AUSTRALIA

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2322, Agenda Item #: 67.

7/29/2021

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County for the development and construction of Austin to Manor Trail Phase 2, from the existing Austin to Manor Trail at Decker Lane/Lindell Lane to Ben E Fisher Park; amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to accept funds from Travis County in the amount of \$1,265,670; and amending the Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to transfer in and appropriate \$1,265,670 for development and construction of this project.

Lead Department

Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,265,670 is available from Travis County. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

September 25, 2014 - Council passed Ordinance No. 20140925-143 adopting the Urban Trails Plan as a component of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

March 28, 2019 - Council passed Resolution No. 20190328-040, which called for efforts to accelerate timetables for planned bicycle, scooter, transit, sidewalks, and tier one urban trail infrastructure projects approved in the 2016 and 2018 City of Austin bond propositions and those funded by other means.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin to Manor Trail system, once complete, will be 5 miles long, connecting the City of Manor to Austin. Phase 2 starts at the existing two-mile portion of the Austin to Manor Trail at Lindell Lane, which connects to the roughly eight-mile Southern Walnut Creek Trail in east Austin. From Lindell Lane, the trail will follow the future Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Green Line railway to the City of Manor at Ben E Fisher Park. The total length of the Phase 2 trail is 2.9 miles. Travis County is a co-sponsor on the project and is providing funding in the amount of \$1.26 million.

Through the 2016 Mobility Bond, the Urban Trails Program was awarded \$26 million. From this allotment, funding was allocated to finalize design and provide Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) grant matching funds for construction of the Austin to Manor Trail Phase 2.

A portion of the Phase 2 project passes through Travis County jurisdiction. This trail alignment and cosponsorship requires an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (ILA) between the City and Travis County to establish funding, roles and responsibilities for construction and maintenance of the new trail within Travis County jurisdiction.

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Strategic Outcome(s): Mobility.